GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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National Policy for Senior Citizens
Shetti Shri Raju alias Devappa Anna

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any committee has been constituted by the Government for senior citizens under National Policy 2011;

(b) if so, the composition of the Committee;

(c) whether the said committee has submitted its recommendations to the Government;

(d) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Committee; and

(e) the time by which the new National Policy for Senior Citizens is likely to be finalized and implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA)
(a) & (b): The Government had constituted a committee, headed by Smt. (Dr.) Mohini Giri to review the National Policy on Older Persons, 1999 and to draft a new National Policy on Older Persons. The composition of the Committee is placed at Annexure.
(c) & (d): The review committee had submitted its report along with a draft 'National Policy for Senior Citizens', which includes the concept of 'ageing in place', institutional care as the last resort welfare of elderly women, rural poor, barrier-free age-friendly society, long-term saving instruments, income generation activities, technological advancement, etc.
(e): Keeping in view the changing demographic pattern, socio-economic needs of the senior citizens, social value system and advancement in the field of science and technology over the last decade, a new National Policy for Senior Citizens is under finalisation to replace the NPOP, 1999.